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second threw on his canvas a thundering waterfall, with a fragile birch tree bending over the foam: at the fork of the branch, almost wet with the cataract's spray, a robin sat on its nest. The first was only "Stagnation," the last was "Rest." Christ's life outwardly was one of the most troubled lives that was ever lived: tempest and tumult, tumult and tempest, the waves breaking over it all the time till the worn body was laid in the grave. But the inner life was a sea of glass. The great calm was always there. At any moment you might have gone to Him and found rest. And even when His enemies were dogging Him in the streets of Jerusalem, He turned to His disciples and offered them as a last legacy, "My peace."

The Advance

Dr. Cuyler, who in his long ministry has had great success both as a preacher and pastor thinks that it is "the veriest bosh," to say that congregations are now so intellectual and so much in need of intellectual stimulus from the pulpit that ministers have no time for pastoral visitation. He says, "The average church-goer is no more disposed to think deeply into subjects today than he was fifty years ago. As a matter of fact there was a deal more of sober headed thinking done fifty years ago than there is now." He insists on the necessity of "sole-leather Christianity," if a pastor would be successful. "The minister ought to go out and study his people, and then he ought to study his Bible; and then he can bring the truths of the Bible home to his people."

Matrimonial

CUNNINGHAM—GOCHNOUR.—Married at the home of Mr. Edward Kepple of Conemaugh, Pa., on April 27th, 1899, by the undersigned Mr. Raymond E. Cunningham and sister Pearl L. Gochmour. May their wedded life be a happy one.

J. F. KOONTZ.

TOM—GREGG.—At the home of the bride's father on April 12th occurred the marriage of Mr. John Tom and Miss Mattie Gregg in the presence of some of her friends and relatives, by brother G. W. Rench. May love and mercy go with them thru life.

MRS. W. J. ORN.

JONES—WISSINGER.—At the home of the writer, on April 11, 1899, at 7:30 P. M. in the presence of a number of friends, Mr. George H. Jones, of Braddock, Pa., and Miss Jessie Wissinger, the only daughter of brother and sister Nathaniel Wissinger, were united in marriage. Mr. Jones is an employee of the Carnegie Steel Co., and a soldier of the Spanish-American war. The lady attendant was a Miss Blough, a friend of the bride, the gentleman friend of Mr. Jones who stood with him was Mr. George Pantagacos, an intelligent Greek and a native of the historic city Sparta. Mr. and Mrs. Jones will make their home in Braddock, Pa. May God's choicest blessings be theirs.

E. E. HASKINS.

Literary Notes

The policy of *The Ladies' Home Journal*, in its religious department, seems to be always to engage the pen of the man most immediately prominent in the eyes of the religious world. Thus it has had the services of Mr. Beecher, Doctor Talmage, Doctor Parkhurst, Ian Maclaren, and now it will have those of Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, the new pastor of Ply-

mouth Church, in Brooklyn. Dr. Hillis has given the *Journal* a series of articles upon which he had been working for over a year previous to his Eastern call, and the first of these articles will be published in the next issue of the magazine. The series is all connected in thought, and presents the general subject of "The Secrets of a Happy Life."

The May number of *The Homiletic Review* does not fall below the high grade of excellence which that standard periodical has set and established for itself. From opening to close it is packed with matter of the choicest character from the ablest men and from the various parts of the English-speaking world, and dealing with all the current and vital questions in which the preacher is interested.

In the Review Section, Dr. W. Garden Blaikie, of Edinburgh, deals in his happy way with one of the "Great Preachers," Richard Baxter; Prof. Charles M. Mead, of New Haven, Member of the American Revision Committee on the Old Testament, ably sketches the drift of recent thinking, in his "Tendencies of Recent Theistic Thought;" Dr. E. H. Dewart, of Toronto, the veteran Canadian editor, furnishes a common-sense and popular answer to the question, "Can Any But Expert Linguists Judge of the Theories of 'Higher Critics?'" Rev. Robert Shindler, of London, presents, with illustrations of his points, "The Unity of Christians in Sacred Song;" and Dr. George Junkin, the well-known Presbyterian layman of Philadelphia, gives his views of "New and Old Methods of Church work."

In the Sermonic Section, Dean Hodges of the Episcopal Theological School, of Cambridge, Mass., preaches on "The Day of Palms;" Dr. Albert J. Lyman, for twenty-five years of the South Congregational church, Brooklyn, on "The Old and the New," an anniversary sermon at the close of his quarter century with his people; Pastor Dr. Otto Pini, of Braunschweig, Germany, a Pentecost sermon on "The Wonders of God's Eternal Love;" etc. There are Thoughts, Themes, and Texts for Memorial Day, and abundant Hints for Sermons for special occasions, with texts and themes of recent sermons of leading preachers, and original themes drawn from texts for pulpit treatment.

The Seed Thought, Expository and other sections are filled with interesting matter for the preacher and intelligent layman. The publishers seem determined to make this monthly indispensable to all Christian workers, especially to ministers.

A strong plea for greater breadth of theological vision and knowledge is made by Dr. D. S. Gregory in his article on "The Preacher's Reading of Theology." The preacher who reads it ought to become a better preacher thereby. Dr. Stuckenburg exhibits many striking facts and truths under "Social Study and Social Work"—a department in which he is an expert.

The timely treatment of current topics, under such heads as "Preachers Exchanging Views," "Living Issues for Pulpit Treatment," "Editorial Notes," "Helpful Data in Current Literature," etc., should alone make *The Homiletic Review* indispensable to the wide awake preacher.

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Dear Editor: The New Highland congregation will hold their communion May 15th, Monday eve, at 7 P. M. promptly. All who can are invited to attend.

Our communion at Burns' Chapel will be held Monday evening May 29th, at 7 P. M. You are invited to attend. Come to both meetings and assist us.

L. O. HUBBARD, Pastor.

He who sows not the golden grain, may wish for harvest but in vain. He who would loved and happy be must sow the same continually.

Diamond Anniversary of the American Sunday-School Union to be held in Philadelphia in May

Much interest is being developed in this great National Society as the occasion of its 75th Anniversary approaches.

Meetings will be held in the Academy of Music on May 24th and 25th, at which addresses will be made by the following eminent speakers, representing the varied interests which are served by the work of this Society:—

D. L. Moody, the well-known evangelist, Rev. Dr. A. F. Schauffler, of New York, Rev. J. M. Crowell, D. D., of Philadelphia, the Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis, D. D., successor of Henry Ward Beecher in Plymouth Pulpit, Rev. E. W. Rice, D. D., of Philadelphia, Rev. Russell H. Conwell, D. D., of Philadelphia, Rev. Dr. E. K. Bell, of Mansfield, O., Rev. Addison P. Foster, D. D., of Boston, Rev. Henry Clay Trumbull, D. D., editor *Sunday School Times*, E. P. Bancroft, of New York, W. E. Dodge, of New York, W. A. Hillis, of Ohio, Rear Admiral J. W. Philip, U. S. N., F. G. Ensign, of Chicago, Gen. Joseph Wheeler, U. S. A., Morris K. Jesup of New York, the President of the Society, Rev. J. H. McCullagh, of Kentucky, W. L. DeGroff, of Kansas, Rev. W. R. King, of St. Louis, Mo., Rufus M. Jones, editor *American Friend*, Philadelphia, Rev. Theodore Cuyler, D. D., of Brooklyn, and others.

Mr. H. H. McGranahan, with the assistance of the Philadelphia Choral Union and other singers, consisting of 600 voices, will have charge of the music.

The work of the Society for 75 years in part, is as follows:—100,928 Sunday schools organized, containing 578,680 teachers and 4,070,348 scholars; 224,844 cases of aid to schools, having 13,333,978 members. Nearly four schools a day organized for every day of the last 75 years. Value of publications distributed by sales and gifts, over \$9,000,000.

After all this work that has been accomplished by the Union and the great work which the denominations are doing, there are no less than 11,000,000 youths in the United States between the ages of five and eighteen, who are not in any Sunday school. Realizing the great need, as the Union does, it is desired that this 75th Anniversary shall be the occasion for arousing fresh interest in the great work of the Society for the neglected children of the land. They especially request that the 28th of May be observed in all the churches and Sabbath schools as American Sunday school Union Day.

The Committee of Arrangements are Clarkson Clothier, Chairman, Philadelphia, John N. Beach and Robert T. B. Easton, New York, Wm. H. Wanamaker, Wm. C. Stoeber, C. H. Gara and J. M. Andrews, Secretary of the Committee, Philadelphia, E. B. Stevenson, Assistant to Chairman, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Persons wishing to make inquiries concerning this Anniversary, may address any member of the Committee at 1122 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.